

CAPTAIN DONITA A. GILLORY

Director of Singing / Conductor

Captain Donita A. Gillory is the Director of Singing and Conductor of the United States Air Force Band, located at Joint Base Andrews, Md., serving Air Force and Government units in Maryland, D.C., and Virginia. Captain Gillory has performed in several international tours, including the United States Air Force Band's tour of Europe in 1986.

Born in Lawrence, Kansas, Captain Gillory graduated from Kansas State University in New Haven, with a Bachelor of Music Education degree. Prior to coming to the Air Force, she taught high school general music, band, vocal, and instrumental classes at the Fort Riley Military School Conference, Royal School Association, and Central High School. Captain Gillory's musical associations and donations include the Illinois Defense, American Royal, Southwest Regional, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Illinois State, the House Building, Illinois, and Central High School Alumni Bands, singing, teaching, director, and conductor, Springfield, Missouri.

ARMED FORCES CHORAL PERFORMANCE

Vocalists

American Praise Chorus, Kansas City, is a unit with the United States Air Force Band of Mid-America, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. The performers consist of band and the Student Blue Star Ensemble.

American Praise Chorus, Inc., Lt. Col. William Powers, is a 1973 graduate of Roosevelt High School. She attended Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Vocal Performance. Powers also received a Master of Music degree in Voice. Her hobbies include golf, tennis, bicycling, and the University of Madison in Wisconsin.

American Praise Chorus performances include singing with the Madeline Clegg.

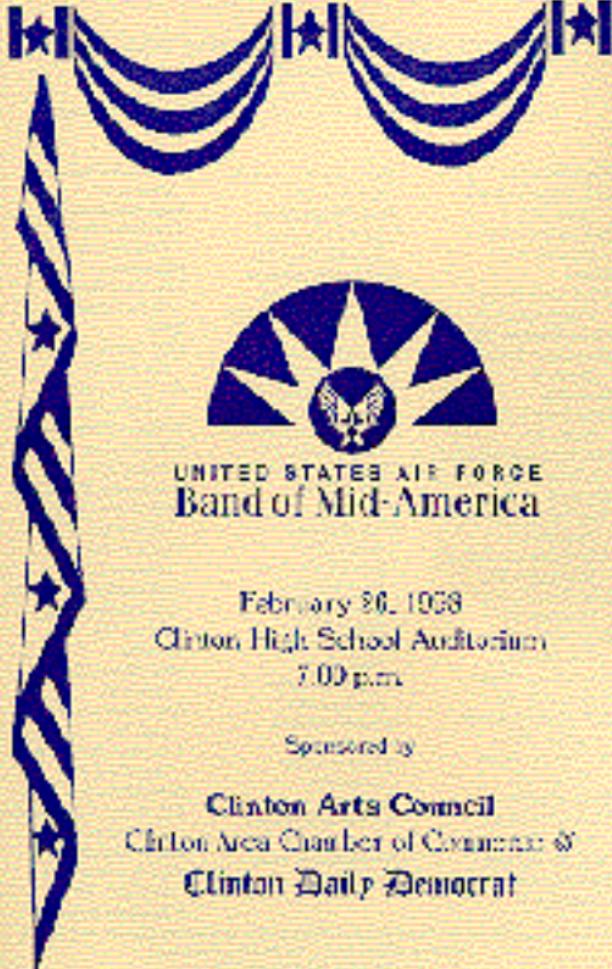
Philadelphia Native Brass, a 12-member wind ensemble, was established in 1980, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It has performed extensively throughout the United States and England.

ARMED FORCES JAZZ BAND

Directed by

America Major Ruth Beckman, native of Bensenville, Illinois, has directed such acclaimed groups as the Army Jazz Band, 1st U.S. Cavalry, Georgetown University, George Washington University, the Studio of Blue Note Ensemble, while attending Roosevelt High School, Atlanta, Georgia, and the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

Major Beckman received her degree in Music Education from Indiana University in Bloomington and Indiana State University, in Terre Haute. She was a member of the Fuging Harmones, and had the opportunity to perform at the Mid-Term America, Indiana, conference in the United States Air Force in 1986. She is a graduate of the Air Force Band of Mid-America, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.



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